

Lord Save Me!

August 27, 2017 – Matthew 14:25-32

“During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw Him walking on the lake, they were terrified. ‘It’s a ghost,’ they cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: ‘Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.’ Lord, if it’s You, Peter replied, tell me to come to You on the water. Come, He said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when He saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, Lord, save me. Immediately Jesus reached out His hand and caught him. ‘You of little faith.’ He said, why did you doubt? And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.”

Think back to a time when you were afraid. When you were afraid, what words did you think and perhaps even speak?

The disciples were terrified when they saw Jesus walking on the water. In the midst of their fear, Jesus comforted them by saying: *‘Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.’*

Focusing on these the words of Jesus - *“It is I.”* It leads us to ask, who is Jesus?

He is God.

He is God our Savior Who brings true comfort in all our troubles.

We also hear Peter as he boldly makes a request of Jesus to walk on the water. Jesus grants Peter this request, but Peter then loses sight of Jesus and instead sees the wind as it stirred up the waves. Peter then cries out the only thing that he can: *“Lord Save Me.”*